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MEMORANDUM

To: Director, Policy and External Affairs

Attention: W-1500 Director, Operations Attention: W-6000

Acting Director, Program Analysis

Attention: D-5000

Regional Director, PN, MP, LC, UC, GP

Attention: PN-1000, MP-100, LC-1000, UC-100, GP-1000

Director, Reclamation Service Center

Attention: D-1000

Director, Administrative Service Center

Attention: D-2000

Director, Human Resources

Attention: D-4000

Director, Management Services

Attention: D-7000

Director, Technical Service Center

Attention: D-8000

From: Henry W. Sandhaus, Manager

Water Resource Office

Subject: Year 2000 Computer Problems (embedded microchips) Reference is made to

Memorandum sent 1/98

As you comply with the request of my memorandum sent January 7, 1998 priorities should be given to the naming of a coordinator, inventorying your equipment, and estimating the costs associated with this process. The Department of the Interior will be requesting inventory and cost estimates information and I would like to have the name of the designated coordinator.

Developing your cost estimates will require planning actions to eliminate complications associated with embedded microchips. The basic criteria in developing your plan to identify potential risk should be safety or health risk if a microchip is not programed to recognize the Year 2000.

The following format for gathering information may be a way to help with your planning, etc. **Equipment Name:**

Brand: Model:

Date Sensitive: (Yes, No, or Unknown)

Year 2000 Compliant: (Yes, No, or Unknown)

Action: suggest contacting manufacturer for information

Actions to Correct: list recommended actions

Critical: (Yes or No) describe why

Safety Problem: (Yes or No) describe why

Disruption to Operations: (Yes or No) describe why/how

Your immediate attention to this matter is critical, not only due to the potential threat, but also due to Congressional inquiries and required reports to the Office of Management and Budget. Please make your assessment as soon as possible. This information will be sent to the Department by July 14, 1998.

Questions should be directed to me at (303) 236-1061 extension 319 or by LAN (hsandhaus).

bc: Regional Director, PN, MP, LC, UC, GP

Attention: PN-7505 (Vanderwal), PN-7510 (Stevens), MP-1130 (Sparks), MP-3100 (Anderson), LC-5100 (Gettler), LC-5121 (Cunningham), UC-540 (Reynolds, Bartholomew), UC-556 (Richardson), GP-3200 (Soucy, Pfaff), D-5500, D-7110 (Feuerstein, Rosenlof), D-7160, D-7130

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